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Douglas R. Porter is nationally recognized as an authority on ways and means of managing community growth and change. For many years he has analyzed and written about programs, techniques, and issues concerned with improving the quality of urban development. His work bridges traditional specialties in urban planning and development, from affordable housing programs to transportation/land use relationships, regional growth strategies, transit-oriented development, community involvement, and local community development concerns, including the concepts of smart growth and sustainable development. In 1992 he founded The Growth Management Institute as a nonprofit organization to promote information exchange and research for public, organizational, and private clients.

These activities have built on 12 years as director of public policy research for the Urban Land Institute and 20 years of experience before that as a planning and development consultant. He works collaboratively with local and regional planning agencies and public officials, business groups, environmental organizations, state and federal agencies, and national organizations. In his current practice, he is especially concerned with integrating land use patterns, transportation systems, and environmental features to create livable communities. Most recently he has advised Coweta County, Georgia; Maryville and Blount County, Tennessee; and Palm Beach County, Florida, on growth issues.

His recent publications include *Urban Design and the Bottom Line* (ULI), *Managing Growth in America's Communities* (Island Press); *Smart Growth Endorsement/Rating Systems* (APA); *Breaking the Logjam: Civic Engagement by Developers and Planners* (ULI); *Inclusionary Zoning for Affordable Housing* (ULI); *Developing Around Transit* (chapter on suburban TOD's) (ULI); and *Making Smart Growth Work* (ULI). He is an AICP Fellow and has been a ULI Fellow and Chair of the Maryland Transportation Commission. He received a B.S. and M.S. in Urban and Regional Planning from Michigan State University and the University of Illinois, respectively.